

REMARKS

With entry of this amendment, claims 49 and 50 have been cancelled, thereby rendering the rejections of these claims moot. As a result, claims 1-7, 11-23, 25, 28-46, 51-58, and 61-117 are now pending in this application. Based on the foregoing amendments and following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections-35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 4, 43, and 44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for reciting certain informalities. Accordingly, claims 4, 43, and 44 have been amended to correct these informalities. As such, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the §112 rejections of these claims.

Claim Objections

Claim 104 has been objected to because it is erroneously set forth as claim 103. Accordingly, claim 104 has been renumbered correctly as claim 104. As such, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the objection of claim 104.

Claim Rejections-Double Patenting

Claims 1-7, 11-15, 51-58, 61-79, and 105-117 stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-28 of U.S. Patent No. 7,195,629. Applicant has submitted herewith a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent 7,195,629, and as such, respectfully requests the withdrawal of the double patenting rejections of these claims.

Conclusion

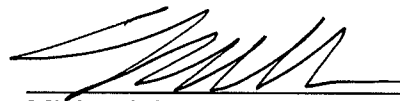
Based on the foregoing, it is believed that all claims are now allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (949) 724-1849.

Respectfully submitted,

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